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Members of the OSU Alumni Club of Van Wert and Paulding Counties met in the home of Carl Jeffery. Those in attendance were Matt Kelly, ChilLim Gonzales, Emily Tempel, Dave Watkins, Dave Herminghuysen, Ellie Barnes, Burl Barnes, Jessica Mohr, Jake Mohr, JoAnne Wolford, Alice Schaufelberger, Carl Jeffery, Missie Bowman, Laura Koenig, Jerry Koenig, and Pam Herminghuysen. Jason Williamson was absent due to the birth of his newest son, Griffin.

Co-president Jake Mohr called the meeting to order.

New members Jerry and Laura Koenig were introduced. Laura is the new Webmaster for our local website.

Old business:

- Spring Banquet report: Alice Schaufelberger reported that there is approximately \$3989 after scholarships were paid. There were many favorable comments on the speaker. We are hopeful that we might be able to secure the OSU band for a performance as a result of this contact. Discussion followed about ticket prices. We will go back to one price for tickets rather than offering adult and student rates.
- Status of trunk raffle: Turn money into Alice Schaufelberger or Greg Owens periodically. Light cherry will be the wood color. Ellie Barnes will check with Phil Baxter to make sure he is aware of our color choice. Tickets will be sold at both Apple and Flat Rock Festivals, etc. JoAnne will check booth prices for the Apple Festival in Van Wert. It is scheduled to be held October 20 and 21 this year. Flat Rock Festival in Paulding is September 15 and 16. In addition to trunk raffle tickets, OSU waters, club memberships, and candles will be sold. Other items could be raffled also.
- Update on candle sale: Missie Bowman reported that Kathy Thomas will come to our next meeting to explain the sales and present color and scent choices. She did say that our group cost is \$7.00 per candle, and the suggested retail price is \$12.00. We will begin with 100 candles, which also will be sold at festivals, etc.
- Golf outing on August 18 at 1:00 pm: Ellie reported we have secured the same caterer that we had last year. She will supply paper products, and the cost is \$7 per person. Another group is having a golf outing that same morning, and they might be interested in sharing the tent and its cost. Matt will check into that. The cost to golf is \$35 for members and \$50 for nonmembers, payable the day of the outing. Several OSU “celebrities” have been or will be contacted to play that day. Advertising was discussed. We still need to organize door prizes and hole sponsors. Volunteers will be needed that day.
- Bash confirmation: The date of the Bash has been finalized for Tuesday, November 13. Steve Hall is the confirmed speaker for the event. Alice and JoAnne will confirm I Don’t Care Grill with the chef Theresa. Ellie brought up the fact that the club has had the policy not to allow outside vendors to set up at the bash, and she and JoAnne will finalize the policy in writing. The instrumental group that we have tried to secure is no longer available. Dave Watkins mentioned a barbershop quartet that might be a possibility. This would especially appropriate for the spring banquet. Elmer Broecker, Lincolnview band instructor would be a good source for other suggestions.
- Website update: Laura led discussion on several issues on the website. Members thanked her for the wonderful work she has done. Laura will include minutes, newsletters, and links to other clubs, upcoming events and community service projects. Bright Net is our web provider.
- Newsletter: We need to get news to Larry Schaufelberger. Offered suggestions were a “Buckoholic” feature, an article on the history of the club as well as the history of the “bash”.

The next meeting will be July 26 at 7:00 pm at Carl Jeffery’s home.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Herminghuysen, co-secretary